

### REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-14, 16-17, and 27-29 have been allowed. During preparation for payment of the issue fee, Applicant noticed certain informalities in the claims. Specifically, Applicant submits this request for amendment after allowance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 to correct the informalities noticed by Applicant as set forth above, and respectfully requests entry of same without withdrawing the case from issue.

### CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit pending claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-14, 16-17, and 27-29 are now in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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